

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re patent application of: )  
BRENTANO *et al.* ) Group Art Unit: 1634  
 )  
Application Serial No. 10/665,708 ) Examiner: Switzer, J.C.  
 )  
Filed: September 18, 2003 ) Atty. Docket No. GP107-03.DV1  
 )  
For: NUCLEIC ACID AMPLIFICATION AND ) Confirmation No. 6892  
DETECTION OF *MYCOBACTERIUM* )  
SPECIES )

**AMENDMENT**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Office communication mailed July 28, 2006, Applicants timely respond and request amendment of the claims as shown herein.